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1. DEPT CONCURS THAT WEST BERLIN LANDING RIGHTS SHOULD BE
OFFERED THY AND EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE CONVINCE TURKS TO PRESS
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GDR FOR OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS TO WEST BERLIN AS PART OF GDR-GOT

AVIATION AGREEMENT. WE BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT THIS APPROACH COMMITS US TO REEXAMINE WHOLE QUESTION OF NORTH-SOUTH FLIGHTS. THIS EXAMINATION CANNOT BE LIMITED TO THY, BUT SHOULD EXTEND TO AIRLINES OF OTHER NATO ALLIES. IF THREE POWERS AGREEABLE WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE A STATEMENT IN NATO OPENING UP THIS SUBJECT.

2. BECAUSE THY PLANNING INAUGURATE SCHOENEFELD SERVICE EARLY OCTOBER, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS FOLLOWING ACTIONS ASAP:

(A) EMBASSY BONN SHOULD PROPOSE IN BONN GROUP THAT WHOLE SUBJECT OF NORTH-SOUTH FLIGHTS BE OPENED UP FOR RECONSIDERATION IN CONNECTION DISCUSSION THY LANDING RIGHTS.

(B) BONN GROUP AGREEMENT SHOULD BE SOUGHT FOR AN APPROACH TO TURKISH FONOFF REQUESTING GOT DELAY SIGNING BILATERAL AIR AGREEMENT WITH GDR AND INITIATION OF SCHOENEFELD SERVICE TO PERMIT FURTHER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THREE POWERS, FRG AND GOT ON QUESTION WEST BERLIN SERVICES. IT WOULD SEEM BEST IF FRG WERE TO MAKE PRESENTATION TO TURKS, STATING IT SPEAKING WITH FULL SUPPORT OF THREE POWERS.

(C) WHILE TURKS CONSIDERING ALLIED REQUEST FOR A DELAY IN SIGNING BILATERAL WITH GDR, BONN GROUP SHOULD BEGIN DRAFTING PAPER FOR NATO CONSIDERATION WHICH WOULD OFFER ALLIED AIRLINES OPPORTUNITY TO LAND, ON LIMITED, TRIAL BASIS, IN WEST BERLIN ONCE THEY HAD OBTAINED OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS FOR GDR. KISSINGER

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